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	Application No.	Applicant(s)					
Office Action Summer:	10/664,587	BOHM ET AL.					
Office Action Summary	Examiner	Art Unit	1111				
	Joseph A. Dillon, Jr.	3651	144)				
The MAILING DATE of this communication app Period for Reply	ears on the cover sheet with the c	orrespondence ad	idress				
A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPL' THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION. - Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.1 after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication. - If the period for reply specified above is less than thirty (30) days, a reply - If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period of the period for reply within the set or extended period for reply will, by statute any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).	36(a). In no event, however, may a reply be tim y within the statutory minimum of thirty (30) day will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from , cause the application to become ABANDONE	nely filed s will be considered time the mailing date of this o D (35 U.S.C. § 133).					
Status							
1) Responsive to communication(s) filed on 13 C	october 2004.						
2a) This action is FINAL . 2b) ⊠ This	action is non-final.						
Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the ments is							
closed in accordance with the practice under E	Ex parte Quayle, 1935 C.D. 11, 45	53 O.G. 213.					
Disposition of Claims							
4) Claim(s) 1-23 is/are pending in the application							
4a) Of the above claim(s) <u>1-15 and 23</u> is/are w			•				
5) Claim(s) is/are allowed.							
∑ Claim(s) <u>16-22</u> is/are rejected.							
7) Claim(s) is/are objected to.							
8) Claim(s) are subject to restriction and/o	r election requirement.						
Application Papers							
9) The specification is objected to by the Examine	er.						
10)☐ The drawing(s) filed on is/are: a)☐ acc		Examiner.					
Applicant may not request that any objection to the	drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See	e 37 CFR 1.85(a).					
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correct	tion is required if the drawing(s) is ob	jected to. See 37 C	FR 1.121(d).				
11) The oath or declaration is objected to by the Ex	caminer. Note the attached Office	Action or form P	TO-152.				
Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119							
12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign a) All b) Some * c) None of:	priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).					
1. Certified copies of the priority document	s have been received.						
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3. Copies of the certified copies of the prior	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	ed in this Nationa	l Stage				
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* See the attached detailed Office action for a list	or the certified copies not receive	ea.					
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Attachment(s) 1) X Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)	4) Interview Summary	(PTO-413)					
2) Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)	Paper No(s)/Mail D	ate					
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DETAILED ACTION

1. Applicant's election with traverse of 10/13/04 is acknowledged. The traversal is on the ground(s) that:

- The invention(s) are not independent;
- There is no serious burden;

This is not found persuasive because:

- The examiner fails to grasp the significance of independence. More relevant, if issued, as is, they are patentable over each other.
- What constitutes an undue burden may be open to argument, but that there is an additional burden is clear. Each additional claim(s) to treat is an additional burden.

The requirement is still deemed proper and is therefore made FINAL.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

- 2. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:
 - (a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negatived by the manner in which the invention was made.
- 3. Claims 16-22 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over either Diessel et al. (5,837,200) or Olek et al. (6,214,556) or Edwards et al. (6,455,280).

Each of these references meet all the limitation(s) of the claim(s) but lack the intended uses, transplantation, genetic modification, etc.

With regard to Edwards et al. (6,455,280), see paragraph 31.

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With regard to Olek et al. (6,214,556), see the abstract.

It would have been obvious to modify either Diessel et al. (5,837,200) or Olek et al. (6,214,556) or Edwards et al. (6,455,280) to provide/substitute these intended uses in order to increase system applicability.

Conclusion

- 4. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.
- 5. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Joseph A. Dillon, Jr. whose telephone number is (703)305-9728. The examiner can normally be reached on 8-5:30, every other Friday off.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Christopher Ellis can be reached on (703)308-2560. The fax phone numbers for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned are (703)305-7687 for regular communications and (703)308-0552 for After Final communications.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is (703)308-1134.

PRIMARY PATENT EXAMINED